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Arabs in Wonderland

A member of the Erindale Arab Student Association shows some culture by smoking the 'Argeeleh'/'Sheesha' during Clubs Week. Don't worry, administration. It's only fruit flavoured nicotine. *photo/Melissa Donnelly*

Students request Registrar

Dean of Student Affairs holds two positions for a year

BY MICHELLE RABBA

No search has been conducted for a new UTM Registrar for over a year, until now. Mark Overton, Dean of Student Affairs, has undertaken both roles since his promotion from Registrar to Dean of Student Affairs last September. Although officially stated Dean last year, Overton has handled both positions for approximately two years due to the resignation of Les McCormick, former Dean of Student Affairs. Upon his promotion last September, Overton stated to *The Medium* (Volume 28, Issue 1) that, "we hope to fill the position of Registrar soon," yet there remains to be no acting Registrar for UTM at the present time.

Presently, UTM is trying to fill the position through, "a nationwide search," said Overton. "We expect the posting will go up between one to three weeks." It is expected that the position of Registrar will be filled by January. "Because of the posting time, we should be able to offer [the position] after interviews. It's just a matter of where that person is coming from."

UTM's newly hired Principal Ian Orchard explained the process of hiring a Registrar: "As soon as it's advertised, we have a two to three week application time frame, and then we will have the search committee start looking at the applications and make a recommendation."

The position for the Registrar has now become more detailed and includes more comprehensive requirements to be filled. According to Orchard, "We've actually extended the scope of that position and elevated its level. The position we're about to advertise is called 'Registrar and Director of Enrollment Management'." Alongside the extension in the Registrar title, the responsibilities have grown to correspond with the expansion of UTM.

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Parking problems persist and worsen

Less spaces available as fees increase

BY SONYA HESSELS

Whether you're one of the many commuters or a residence student, there is a strong probability that you've noticed the severe parking problem that has plagued the UTM campus over the years. One only has to mention the situation and most students won't hesitate to share their opinion on the subject. This year though, the feelings seem to be mutual: the problem is worse than ever.

According to the Parking and Transportation Coordinator, Elizabeth Zammit, administration has been getting higher numbers of complaints this year compared to previous years about the availability of parking. The predicament in finding a parking space seems to be especially dominant in the early afternoon, when the lots are at their peak capacity and are subsequently over-crowded.

Over the past year, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Paul Donoghue said that the number of students enrolled at the campus has increased by 727 people. This number is estimated to increase significantly in the future, especially with the expansion and double cohort expected to occur. As the number of commuter students increased, so did the number of parking passes sold. The obvious problem however, is that the actual number of spaces available for parking has decreased. With the construction in Lot Nine, approximately 300 un-reserved parking spaces were lost this year. There are now 1,412 un-reserved parking spaces available, and 2,675 students who have un-reserved permits and currently park in the lots on a daily basis. "There's no limit to how many passes we'll sell," claimed Zammit.

Although the problem appears to be easily avoidable if you choose to park in one of the four reserved lots, this solution is not without its price. To pay the already increased fees from last year to park in the un-reserved lots, it will cost you $299. If you want a reserved permit, the cost is $375. According to UTM's Parking Department, those fees may stand to increase next year. To what extent the

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Where's Waldo...Can you find the empty parking space? Hope you have all day! *photo/ Melissa Donnelly*

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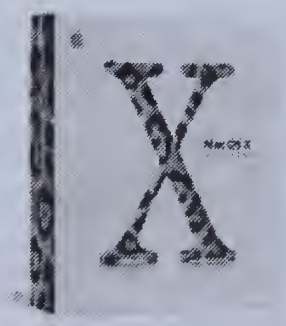

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Students initiate interest at Clubs Week

By Sindy Lui and Janice Yip

Posters, tables, televisions, and students cluttered the halls of the Student Centre during Clubs Week last week. Academic, cultural, religious, and interest clubs used gimmicks, such as "free kisses" and candies, to capture students' attention. "This year, [Clubs Week] is well organized. The rotation is really well done," said Kent from the Anime Club. The rotation of the tables allowed each group to have the opportunity to be noticed rather than being stuck in a corner. It also imposed the students to walk around and notice other groups.

Students surrounded tables, lined up, and asked club members questions about what they offer. Sheena Chatcha, President of the Math Club, said, "the Math Club is very exciting, there's meet-the-prof night, food, lot of food, and FOOD. Also, we offer old tests, study groups, and math seminars." Some advantages of joining clubs include discounts on old tests, awareness, special functions, and events. Students can choose to join clubs of their interest. "It's very interesting. I thought most of the clubs would be school related, but there are social and cultural clubs as well," said Sonia Deonarain, a third-year biology and psychology student.

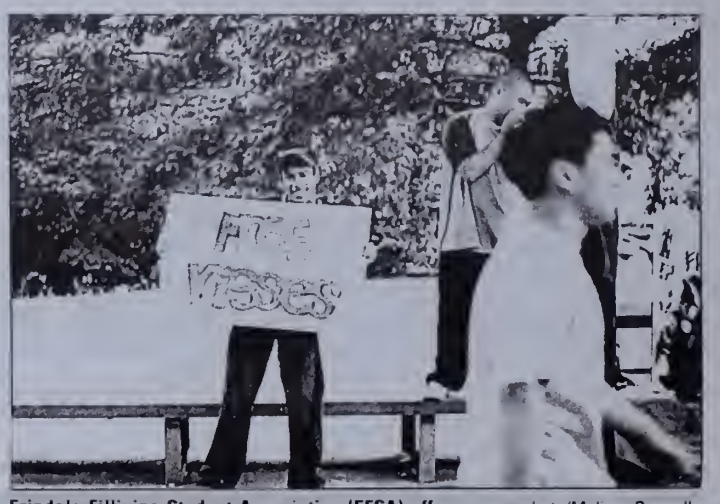
This year, Associate of Actuarial Analysts, Canada Club, and Math Club are a few of the clubs freshly created this year. Saira Qureshi, Erindale College Student Union (ECSU) Clubs Commissioner, suggested that students expand the varieties among the societies. "We encourage people to create clubs. Students just have to pick up a form from the Student Centre, fill it out, state the name and the purpose of the club. With 25 signatures from other students, and no confliction with other clubs, the proposal will be reviewed by the ECSU board. After a board meeting and a vote, the initiate of the club will be decided."

Although new clubs emerged and captured the interest of many students this year, some students complained about the limited selection. "[Clubs Week] was okay, but there isn't enough variety. Most of the clubs are rather cultural or school subjects related," said Angela Chan, a first-year life sciences student. Agata Biazik, a second-year psychology and english student said, "I think that the existing clubs did an admirable job representing themselves, but, as far as the general selection of clubs and societies to join, I think it's fairly limited. The existing variety seems to only include cultural/ethnic clubs and study subject related societies. I would like to see more interest based clubs operating at our campus."

Although there are conflicting views on club selections, students can still get involved. "Getting involved with the students and organizing the clubs is rewarding," said Qureshi.

With a broad choice of clubs, students are able to connect with cultures, religions, hobbies, academics, and social issues. The share of the common interest allows students from different specialities to come together. "The clubs offers a variety of academics, hobbies, cultures, religions, and so on. By sharing the same interest, students are able to meet other peers from the school," said Qureshi.

From the new Communication, Culture and Information Technology (CCIT) program, students attempted to bring students together to express their views and demands. Doug Lu, President of the CCIT Club said that "as a club, the voices of the students are stronger. Also, it's a stronger voice to demand more programs for CCIT."



Erindale Fillipino Student Association (EFSA) offers some incentives for joining their club...for free! Let's see if his girlfriend is smiling. *photo/Melissa Donnelly*

Some students may join the club to achieve a sense of belonging while others may join to explore a different society. Qureshi explains that she joined some of the clubs for the sense of pure enjoyment and relaxation. "It is also a form of relaxation. I go to the Anime Club to watch a show and just relax," she said while laughing. Lu said, "I came to Clubs Week last year and saw everyone having fun and belonging somewhere."

With the increase in first year student enrolment and the attentiveness of older undergrads, the clubs expanded executively or were reinstated this year. "Last year in the Muslim Students Association (MSA), we had 300-400 members alone. This year we are expecting more," said Mohamed Alarakhia, a third-year Biochemistry Specialist student. Naila Ladha, a third-year student and Pre Dental Society (PDS) President said, "PDS was re-instated. This year, we got a fresh executive team and more people joined than we ever anticipated."

Young and vibrant first-year students tend to enrol in several clubs. "There are a lot more first year students who are involved with the clubs. The first year students are more open to change and are willing join multiples of clubs. The older students are familiar with the school and choose to join one or two clubs," commented Qureshi. Chatcha adds that "clubs are good for the first years, and we gear towards first years." Kent from the Anime Club also said, "There are more members this year. And many are first years."

Clubs Week winded down as students familiarized with their schedule. With the new connections and benefits they made, students are able to use the clubs to their advantage.

Whether intended to increase course selections or mingle with your peers, clubs allow students to experience the full potential that university life can offer.

UTM Childcare Centre to re-use facilities

By Owen Jarus

If you're a parent looking for daycare on the UTM campus, don't expect to see an on-site childcare centre anytime soon. The centre, which closed down last May, has no plans to operate in the future, despite the rapid expansion set to occur in the next five years. But, the children of students who live in residence will still have something to cheer about, as the administration and a group of parents will build a new playground with old and new equipment.

The ill-fated centre, which was never close to breaking even financially, was underused. At the time of its closure, 22 parents were actually using the centre and only 18 of them were UTM students. The centre, despite being subsidized to the tune of $12.80 per full-time student and $3.87 per part-time student, was never able to maintain lower fees than private daycare centres. Dean of Students Affairs Mark Overton said, "One of the things in our investigation that we discovered was that it was actually (in terms of the actual fees paid) less expensive to go off-campus for daycare than to have daycare on-campus."

When asked why not reform and improve the daycare service, Overton responded, "when we presented the info to the Quality Service to Students (QSS) board, the primary focus was cost. So, the UTM student contributions were multiples higher than that of other campuses. One of the factors was the funding. The centre was already not breaking even. If you cut back the contribution even more, that's another factor that could affect the influence (and) the ability of the centre to operate."

Paul Donoghue, UTM's Chief Administrative Officer cited the centres "inappropriate setting" as one of the reasons why the daycare was unsuccessful. Donoghue said in an interview, "We had some outside consulting assistants, and we had expertise brought in to help us work our way through all these issues. Certainly, on the physical surrounding side, it is quite clear that it was a totally inappropriate setting for a daycare. It was never designed as a daycare centre, and it was not a space that was conducive to high quality childcare."

Still, the issue refuses to go away as questions continue to be asked about the logic of closing UTM's Childcare Centre at a time when the campus is set to undergo one of the largest expansions in Canadian history. Last April, before the shut down, Erindale College Student Union (ECSU) past President Erick Mckinlay expressed cautious support for the beleaguered centre, "I feel that the Childcare Centre is a necessary service. However, a person who immediately looks over it should present its budget."

Regardless of how the Childcare Centre issue works out, the children of UTM students can look forward to a new playground. The university is taking the equipment left over from the shut down Childcare Centre and building a new playground. A group of UTM parents has successfully carried out fundraising to buy some new playground equipment.

Overton feels that the playground is a resourceful item to have on campus. "We've been working with a group of families in residence and we've tentatively identified the site. We're taking the equipment that was at the Childcare Centre, and moving it to the playground. They're also adding a piece of equipment built for kids of older age (pre-schoolers up to the age of 12). It's commercial grade equipment, not things you would throw in your backyard." He also added that, "the working group of families has talked with all of the residence in that cluster of houses and families with children across campus. Families agreed to undertake fundraising to help support the construction of the childcare, and I got notice from families that they've reached they're fundraising goal, and will still try to raise more, which was good news."

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Career Centre posts jobs

New positions available for UTM students

BY SIOBHAN MINTY

As students encounter a more stringent schedule during the school year, there remains to be a high demand for jobs with flexible hours and valuable experience. UTM's Career Centre is presently hoping to cater to these needs by offering a variety of positions, namely several opportunities that differ from those offered in previous years.

Currently, there are 253 regular part time positions and about 98 Work Study positions that are available to U of T students online. Students, however, must be OSAP eligible to apply for Work Study jobs. The Career Centre offers a range of positions in areas such as Art, Culture and Recreation, Business, Applied Science and Social Science.

Mark Overton, Dean of Student Affairs, feels that the Career Centre is now offering more positions that allow students to apply what they learn in the classroom with work experience. "One example of an interesting position available at Registrarial Services is for a Geographic Information System (GIS) Market Analyst. So, we're looking for a student who's been involved in GIS with a program we have in Geography."

Overton went on to say that the GIS vocation is a, "great example of a totally unique Work Study experience that really is quite professional in nature."

Joan McCurdy, UTM's Career Centre Manager, said the focus is on marketing these positions this year. During the summer, U of T mailed out pamphlets to first year students to promote the Work Study program. Flyers posted on notice boards on campus also advertised the program.

"We're hoping that the new marketing will make students more aware of the positions offered and also careers related to their field of study," said McCurdy.

At the time, McCurdy couldn't give an exact number of students who had come to the Career Centre to inquire about job postings, but she stated that a greater number of students, especially first year students, had signed up electronically for the Career Centre newsletter than in any other year.

Along with standard events such as the Volunteer Fair on September 25, which features such organizations as Scouts Canada, The Peel HIV/AIDS Network and the Lung Association, the Career Centre also hopes to hold an Internship Fair this year. This idea is still in the works as it relies on factors such as the number of staff who are interested in participating.

Those students interested in applying for an internship position will find opportunities at The Canadian Directory of Internships at www.cacee.com.

Future events held by the Career Centre include the Professional Schools Fair on October 2, where representatives from various colleges, universities and graduate schools will attend. Also, the Career Expo will make its second appearance at Erindale near the end of October. The Expo features different companies that will talk about diverse careers and prospects.

Students who want to find out more information on Work Study positions can take a look at the green binder in the Career Centre (Room 3094 in the South Building). However, McCurdy encourages that students browse the Career Centre web site to gain information on the several postings.

Students look up job opportunities in the Career Centre *photo/Melissa Donnelly*

Overton thinks there are a lot more postings of a professional nature this year. "We've always tried to provide high quality experience. I think that some of the ones this year deal with trying to create experiential career opportunities. More specifically, ones that bring together what they're learning with work experience," he said.

UTM to begin search for Registrar

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ditional registrarial roles across U of T, but will also focus a lot more on enrollment and management. As the campus grows in part of the university's expansion, there are some additional responsibilities that really weren't captured in the job I was doing at the time," said Overton.

As to why the position has taken so long to be filled is questionable. The importance in having two separate people to fulfill the roles of 'Registrar' and 'Dean of Student Affairs' in order to handle the responsibilities required for both jobs is necessary. "It's always hard to do two jobs. I think [Overton] has done a very good job in that context, although we do need to have someone full time concentrating on the 'Registrar and Director of Enrollment Management' position," said Orchard.

Administration maintains that it has taken so long to fill the position due to expansion of the school. Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Paul Donoghue explained, "if you think back over a year, the planning exercise that was going on for normal expansion had a series of alternatives, because it was very uncertain back then what it was going to shake up to be."

"I think the timing has primarily been trying to get our campus growth perspective more firmly nailed down. Even now, we're still trying to deal with what our growth targets will be," added Overton.

When asked the reason for the delayed hiring, Orchard said, "I can't answer the reasons for the previous principal. All I can say is that when I arrived, and even in advance I knew there wasn't a Registrar and that Mark had been doing this for some time now. I made it a high priority to fill that position."

However, students do not accept the reason for the delay. Sean O'Connell, Erindale College Student Council (ECSU) Vice-president of Finance, noted that U of T, "is currently expanding, as it has been in the last year. We need someone now." He also added that the circumstances regarding students and registration is dismal.

"Look at the present situation. They've accepted way too many students, and they don't even have enough classes to accommodate the students. It's gotten to the point where I have parents calling me and complaining because their children can't get into the courses that they've paid for. Having more students is fine, but they need the resources to handle the expansion. One of those resources is a Registrar."

Fattah Abogodieh, a fifth-year student, said, "Mark has a responsibility to communicate student needs more than ever. There are issues with new faculty, the approaching double cohort, and parking to name a few. There are too many things that administration is worried about which has resulted in student needs being put aside."

Karen Lam, Erindale Part-time Undergraduate Students (EPUS) former Vice-president, felt that, "timely hiring for a new Registrar should have been top priority for administration because students are not getting the services that they need and have paid for."

When asked whether students have been affected by the vacancy of a Registrar position, Overton said, "I don't think students would have directly noticed an impact in having an Acting Registrar versus a Registrar. So, I don't necessarily think the delivery of services has been affected. It would be in ways that students wouldn't notice."

When posed the same question, Orchard maintained that, "I think Mark has done a very good job. We've had some expansion over the last couple of years, but much more of the growth is in the future. So, I'm comfortable that we're in good shape at the moment."

Although Overton has been fulfilling both roles of Dean of Student Affairs and Registrar, Overton said the money allotted to pay the acting Registrar has been, "used within the Registrarial Services."

Another change being implemented towards the Registrar position is that, "the person [deemed Registrar] will report to the Principal rather than the previous, where the [role of] Registrar was recorded through the Dean of Student Affairs," said Orchard. Overton agreed this change was necessary as, "the Registrar needs to be at that senior level, rather than being filtered through someone else."

Orchard remains positive about the hiring of a new Registrar and the future of UTM. "I'm hopeful that we will be able to attract someone who will bring credit to UTM."

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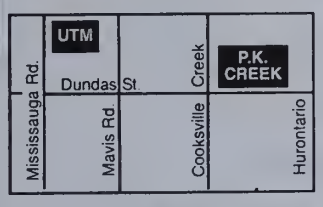

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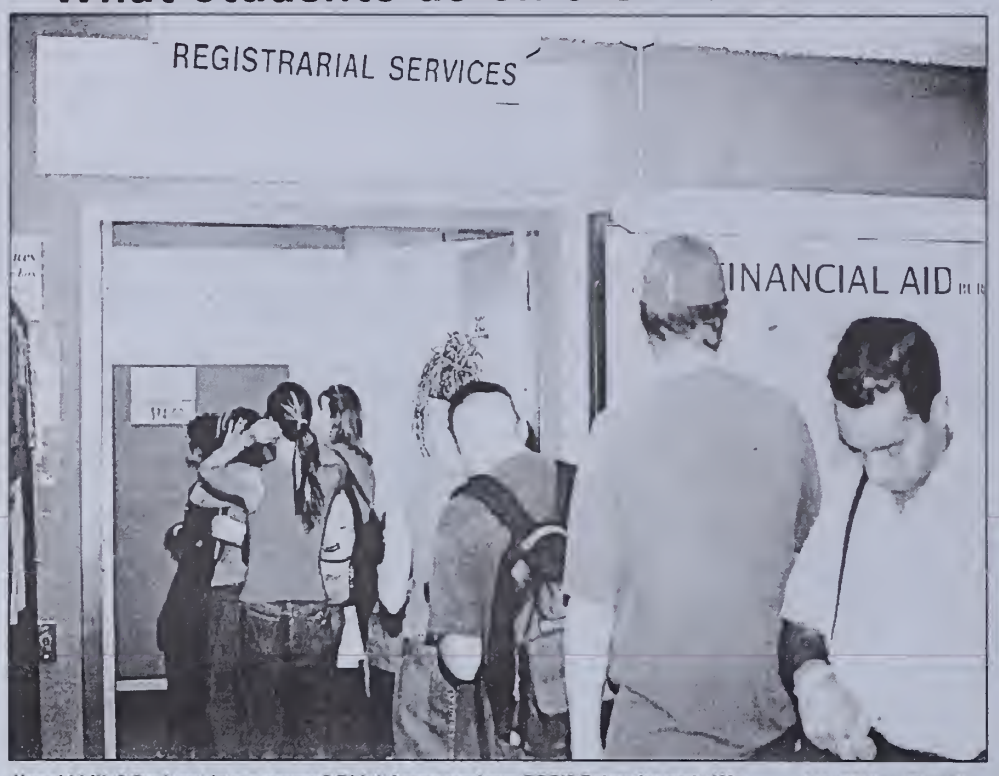

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Students vexed at parking

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increase will be and an actual dollar amount is still pending. After paying these prices, it's no shock that so many students are upset over the fact that they are unable to find parking. "They built an aquarium for a pub, but they can't drop some trees and put down some asphalt for parking? I don't understand why they're selling more permits than there are spots," said Frank Zoritech, a fifth-year student.

In regards to offering convenience to students by creating more parking spaces, Donoghue said the issue is something he is not concerned with. Rather, his principle concern is environmental issues. "The landscape is most important," he asserted, "and if we don't keep that in mind and find alternatives to construct more parking lots, the entire campus will soon be all pavement."

As a solution to the problem, administration is currently trying to encourage students to find alternative solutions for transportation by either engaging in car-pooling, or relying on public transit. "I would like to see serious discussion between both students and faculty about carpooling begin soon," added Donoghue.

Students are terribly vexed, at the lack of available parking spots. "By 10:00am, there's nothing left anywhere," complains Jennifer Simpson, a second-year commuting student.

> "There's no limit to how many passes we'll sell"
> – Elizabeth Zammitt

At this point, students begin to turn to their own devices, parking on the shoulders, double-parking, or just simply creating their own spots. "This year's the worst. It has never been this bad previously," added Pamela Bairos, a third-year student.

Administration admits that this year the parking lots are full. "We are currently at the maximum capacity," said Zammit. However, she also points out that the current severity of the problem will start to settle down in a few weeks as students' schedules' become more stable, and the hectic first month of September is over.

Currently, students are forced to deal with the problem at hand, but with the expected higher levels of newly admitted students to the campus next year; current students can't help but wonder what steps the school is going to take to prevent the problem of available parking from worsening.

With both grade 12 and OAC students applying next year, students want to know what the school is planning to do to cope with the increased load of commuters, and the obvious foreseen parking dilemma.

According to Donoghue, the number of students who attend Erindale next year is once again expected to rise significantly, as well as the number of people who will be using the un-reserved lots. "September, 2003 will be an issue," he admitted.

However, as for availability of parking in the future, there may yet be some light at the end of the tunnel. With the completion date for the new CCIT building set for January, 2004, a new underground parking lot is also set to be constructed as well.

Upon completion, Donoghue estimates that approximately 300 new spots will be available to students, however, the lot will be a reserved one, and the permits are expected to be the most expensive the campus will sell, costing far more than any other lot passes.

In addition to this lot, another lot is also planned to be constructed, hopefully sometime in the near future. The lot will be an above ground, multi-level structure, and is sited to be built in the back of Lot 4.

Unfortunately, due to the expenses of constructing such a lot, the permits for it can also be expected to exceed the prices of the other existing surface lots.

Right now, administration is advising students to try to avoid the parking problem that results in so many of them being late for class, by encouraging them to arrive for class everyday a minimum of 45 minutes early, so that they will have plenty of time to search for a spot. Whatever you do, "don't just show up 10 minutes before class and expect to find one," warned Zammit.

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One Registrar needed

EDITORIAL

In light of the impending double cohort and increased enrollment growth, UTM faces one of its biggest challenges since its birth in 1967. More than ever now, the college needs all of its administrators and faculty to focus and fulfill their roles to their utmost potential. At the same time, students still require and demand the same quality of service that they have paid for through their tuition fees. Unfortunately, one single person has tried to juggle the duties of two of the most important administrative positions on this campus, that of the Registrar position and the Dean of Student Affairs, for over a year now.

One can call it admirable that Mark Overton has continued to cope with the duties of these two positions. At the same time, one can also call it neglectful of quality service to students, as accessibility to Overton could prove to be more difficult. Certainly Overton's time allowance as Registrar for student needs would become somewhat of a complexity as other student services such as Residence, Computing Services, Diversity Relations, etc. report to him as Dean of Student Affairs. Indeed, how can one man effectively fulfill his role as Registrar while overseeing all the other student services and chairing such committees as Quality Service to Students (QSS) and Student Centre Management Board (SCMB)? It is truly amazing that Overton has not suffered a nervous breakdown as yet.

Chief Administrative Officer Paul Donoghue said, "if you think back over a year, the planning exercise that was going on for normal expansion had a series of alternatives, because it was uncertain back then what it was going to shake up to be." Overton also said they're "trying to get their growth perspective more firmly nailed down." To be quite honest, it is completely unacceptable that administration is claiming what seems like 'ignorance' of the entire effect of the campus expansion until now as the reason for not hiring a Registrar. For certainly over three years now, UTM has talked about its rapid growth, hence all of the new buildings such as new Residence Phases Six and Seven, the CCIT building, the Science building, etc.

Furthermore, to cite dealing with what, as Overton calls it, "our growth targets will be," seems like a shoddy excuse for not hiring a Registrar. It should be as simple as this: when a vital position such as Registrar is left vacant for whatever reason, you find a person to fill it – a person with no other obligations in any other facet of the university administration. It's a fundamental position that needs complete obligation towards it, regardless of the campus' expansion. UTM would need a Registrar even if there were only 100 students that attended this college. The reality of the situation is that, this year, there are 6,000 plus students enrolled at UTM and as such, the need for an administrator completely and solely focused on his duties as Registrar has glaringly increased.

Sometimes, it's sad that when we sit on one side of the fence, we can't completely see the other side. As students, we can't completely understand the administration's tactics, whether they honestly have the students' best intentions at heart or not. The same goes for the administration, and this is obvious in Overton's assumption that, "students would [not] have directly noticed an impact in having an Acting Registrar versus a Registrar." It is clear from such students as Sean O'Connell, Fattah Abogodieh and Karen Lam that the difference is indeed evident and there is an impact on students when they need to talk to the 'Registrar' but the 'Registrar' is too swamped by his other impending duties to effectively cater to the needs of those students.

No one is criticizing the job that Mark Overton has done. Of course, the man has done everything humanly possible to fulfill both roles to the best of his ability. No one is also blaming any one particular person for not hiring a new Registrar to date. But the fact of the matter remains that one person, in no uncertain terms, cannot effectively and efficiently obligate himself to two such important administrative positions such as Registrar and Dean of Student Affairs. As students, we are thankful that administration will finally conduct a search for a new Registrar in the very near future. We need one.

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Fri Covid, w/did Issue 3, Medium team. Thanks for all the work on the office, Kevin and Romano. Without you guys, we would be in dire straits. Lots of crap to deal with today – you never know who's fucking you over until something out of the blue happens! Rommo says he smells. No comment. Holy crap, we have a shit-load of volunteers who signed up this year. Thank you, volunteers! Hopefully, the majority of you will be dependable writers. And rea – where are ya, man? We miss you! Thank you Susan Addario for your super compliment on the paper this year. We work hard. Michelle and I (a.k.a. the stroppy-headed girls) stumbled all the way to Lakeshore on Wednesday evening. Poor Jay and Mark were the unfortunate ones who accompanied us. Chris graciously came to our rescue and dropped us back at the Student Centre, after I stuffed my face with the awesome chocolate eclairs. Yummy! The printer is not pissing!!! Horrible nightmares of last year's printing problems come rushing back! Ahhh!!! Sat. Rommo, you have no idea what a help you have been to me. Thank you. Adam came by this weekend again – the old fart really misses it around here, even though he denies it. You're always welcome here, Tex. Where is everyone? Oh, there goes Johanna. It's almost like an illusion. I see her for a fleeting moment; she floats by me and then disappears into thin air. All alone again. No worries, tomorrow everyone'll be here and it'll be madness in the office, as usual. Sun. Michelle finally came to her senses and gave up rowing. Hey man, she did better than I did. She woke up at 5 a.m. five times – I did it once and that was it for me. Melissa is still going hard core through – she's a crazy for one of the brats. It's all about about the jacket, eh? Shit, Johanna's puter keeps shutting down – and the techy problems begin. Michelle "thanks" she ran into Tim Arnos on Bloor St. Good one. Darryl is describing The Rock's "hatch-ass." Great Sunday night office conversation. 22 more to go

Erindale's current 'parking situation'

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Station Manager argues Vibe is indeed a 'media'

Dear Editor,

Last week's article entitled 'Vibe is Back on the Air' requires some distinct repair. Problems with station equipment were in no way a factor in Vibe being shut down. In fact, what lead to the problem was an absence from Industry Canada's regulatory framework. Also it was not a CRTC license we had been waiting on, but rather one from Industry Canada directly. However, this license also entitles us to operate our signal subject to all of CRTC's policies. Last week's article also contained an incorrect website. Vibe can now be found online at www.vibefm.cjb.net. This site will also be promoted heavily in the near future in order to compensate for the 'Getting There' handbook containing our old site. Also, I was unaware that our current FM signal reaches only 30m past campus. While I have not yet determined our exact radius, I can assure you that it exceeds 30m.

In regard to last weeks Editorial entitled 'Vibe – a Media?' I would like to offer that 'Media' is defined as "the means by which information is conveyed to the general public," even if a DJ at Vibe were to ramble senselessly all day, we would still be considered 'Media.' So I will posit that airplay itself does constitute a form of media. However, your constructive criticism is appreciated and I hope that you will soon find our station fits into your more robust definition of what media seeks to do. We officially launch September 30 so keep your ears open.

Matt Sullivan
Station Manager - Vibe Radio 91.9FM

Rez Don fed up with tardy students

Dear Editor,

I was sitting in my fourth year economics class last week, and I was appalled to see the number of people arriving late to class. Now, I'm not talking two to three minutes late; students were arriving 30 to sometimes 35 minutes after the class had begun. It wasn't just a couple of students either, but a full 17 students arrived 10 minutes or more after the class started out of a class of 50 (I counted because I was really offended by this, and the lesson was broken and disturbed every time someone walked in). Let me repeat that this is a 400 level class and as such, students in this class have to be in either third or fourth year to take this course. A junior or senior undergraduate, I would expect, would be able to get off his or her ass to provide themselves with enough time to arrive at class on time. That's what that ten minutes is for between classes!

Some people after arriving late apologize to the professor for being tardy, or at least show a sheepish grin in regret. An emergency, or an error in judgment, I can understand. However the rest bang on the door while the teacher is lecturing, demanding to be let in, and then strut in as if it's their right to be late. Sorry, but it's my right to an uninterrupted education, and you are infringing upon that right. Being late is disrespectful to the prof, and rude to your classmates. I just want to get my 800 bucks worth out of a class.

But that's just my opinion, I could be wrong.

Dave Hamilton
UTM Residence Don
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Opinion

TALKING HEADS

How are your first weeks of school so far?

"Hasn't started yet."

Tim Ashton

"Just okay."

Neda Chini

"Very tiring!"

Chris Jackson

It's very hectic. I'm pulling my hair out!"

Marta Bialecki

Photos by Melissa Donnelly

Student complains of looking too much like 'frosh'

Opinion

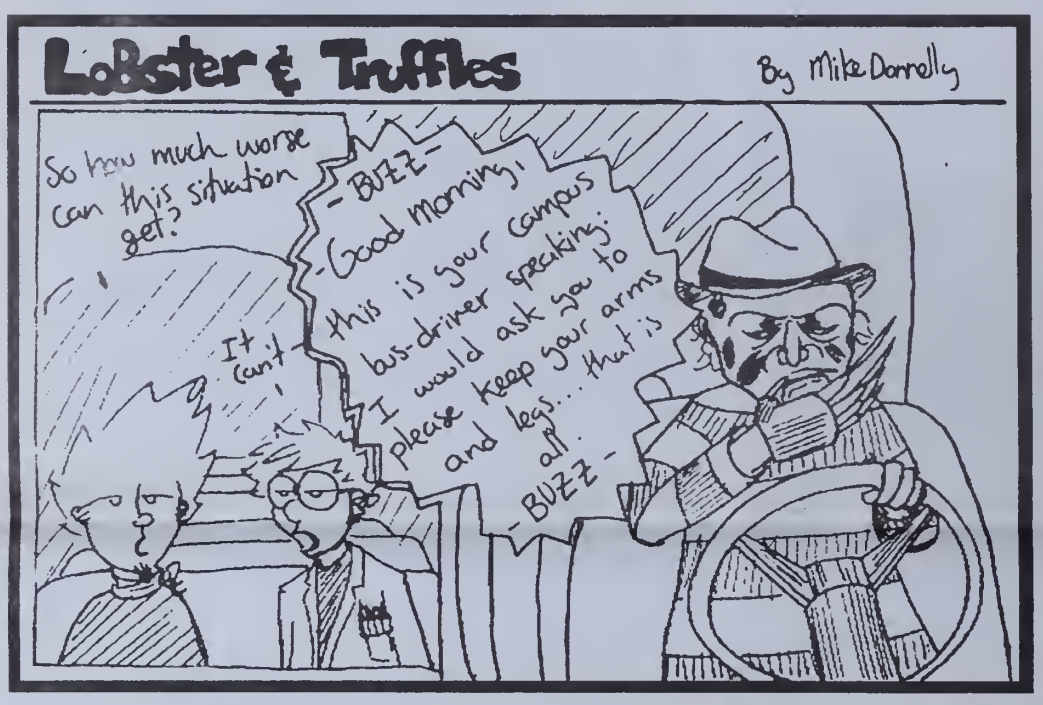
By Deniz Mustapha

As we continue our stay at university, our evolution phase deepens, and physically, we are changing to look the year that we are in. For example, first-year students are easily identifiable to some. The fresh clean look that walked right out of a Gap ad with a colour coordinated purse to match the camel coloured sandals which may not be the most comfortable for the feet, but at least they look good. But as the years go by, we go from GQ to sleepwalking with our pajamas on to class. Well, let's just say that I am still wearing my 10 pounds of makeup on my face, and matching my accessories. I can not help it. The only way I am content with myself is if I look good. So with the trendy image that I portray also comes the most common question that I have been asked "Are you in first year?"

Why do I look like a first year student? Could it be the bold blond highlights that illuminate my face, my French-manicured false nails, or the tight fitting low rise faded jeans that mold my lower half? What is it that makes a first year student look like a first year student? I feel insulted at times. I am in second year and quite proud of it. If someone thinks that I am in first year, does that mean I try too hard? Sure, I get lost in the halls searching for my classes and I still have need assistance in using the exercise machines but I am not in first year!

Could it be a person's attire that makes them look like a freshman, or their body language, or the lost look on their faces? If this is what categorizes a first year student then really, any student in any year could play the part.

The main point is that I am being criticized and stereotyped for the way I look. I dress a certain way because I feel more confident and I think that it is odd that if I look good or stand out that I am automatically assumed to be a first year student. Do I need to wear jogging pants to look my grade and fit in?


Lobster & Truffles
By Mike Darrelly
So how much worse can this situation get?
-BUZZ-
-Good morning, this is your campus bus-driver speaking: I would ask you to please keep your arms and legs... that is all.
-BUZZ-
It can't-

'Parking' nauseates *Medium* editor

Opinion

By Tammi Sulliman

I sit in the office all alone Saturday evening and stare at a blank Word document. I have to write an editorial and I don't feel like writing about Erindale's atrocious parking situation. Not because I don't think it should be addressed, but because it's a never-ending issue with no easy solution in sight.

Last year, as News Editor, I wrote so many parking articles, I felt nauseous. The actual word 'parking' typed on my computer screen made me gag. The state of affairs was so bad that every time I saw then Principal Robert McNutt in a meeting, in a hallway or in an interview, he would beg me not to bring up the 'parking situation.'

At this point, it's beyond a 'situation.' It's a full-fledged problem. And this year, it's the worst I have ever seen it. On Thursday, I saw an old high-school friend that I haven't seen in years. After we exchanged the usual, "so what are you up to these days?," the first words that popped out of his mouth were, "Holy shit, what the hell is going on with the damn parking? It takes me half an hour to park!"

That's the general sentiment expressed by any commuter student right now. After the Erindale College Council's voted to not increase parking last year, McNutt ignored the recommendation and increased the parking fee by twenty percent, citing that the college would not be able to operate without the fee hike. With the increased enrollment growth and impending double cohort, students are essentially paying more money for fewer spaces. That's definitely something to complain about.

Right now, all I know is that every year at this time (Issue four of *The Medium*), there's an article in *The Medium* about UTM's parking situation – you can go back at least three years to verify that. I also know that the situation is going to get a lot worse before it gets any better.

I might be able to escape writing an editorial on parking this week. But bet your bottom dollar that, at some point this year, there'll be a parking editorial and my tummy won't like it at all.

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FEATURES

Shared responsibility makes a happy home and a better world

BY JOHANNA KRISTOLAITIS

Imagine living in an exquisitely beautiful, not to mention huge house with a big blossoming garden and enough yard room to host the Super Bowl if you installed some bleachers and field posts. Imagine you and your offspring could live there as long as you like, provided you and a few other people (and their offspring) shared the place and the work to maintain it. Imagine this splendiferous house occupied, at the outset, by eight people – two from each 'corner' of the world, let's say.

At first, everything at the house goes smoothly: everyone does their part to keep the house beautiful, the garden blossoming, the yard clean and daily life comfortable and happy. But eventually the bliss is broken. As anyone who has ever lived with anyone knows, things can't go smoothly forever – it's practically against human nature.

At any rate, there was a bit of a spat between two of the yard-cleaners over whose section of the yard was tidiest. There was yelling and name-calling and dirtying of what the other had cleaned and, in the end, they both gave up and left their sections in a mess. And the yard was a little less clean.

Another argument broke out between two of the garden-tenders over what should be planted in one part of the garden. There was yelling and name-calling and digging up of what the other had planted and in the end, nothing was planted there. And the garden was a little less blossoming.

Yet another quarrel occured between yet another two of the house-dwellers over who did the greater share of the housework. There was yelling and name-calling and putting down of what the other had contributed and in the end, no housework was done by either. And the house was a little less beautiful.

The last two housemates, the two who had not fought, used all methods of argument and persuasion they could think of to get everyone back into the swing of caring for their habitat, but to no avail. These two continued to give the whole job all the effort they could, while the others continued to do only the chores they had not fought over.

The eight people eventually became four couples and children were born. The adults told the children of the importance of maintaining the beautiful house and the blossoming garden and the big, clean yard. They explained that as long as these things were done, they and all their descendants would be able to live there.

However, what the children saw was two people doing all the work they could while the other six did only some of the work. Now the children were very confused by this, but they assumed they should help their parents with whatever they did. And help they did, most of the time.

But it was much more fun to play in the yard than to clean it, to walk through the garden than to tend it and to hang around the house than to tidy it. The adults understood this and didn't often force their children to help. They believed they had instilled in their children the importance of caring for the living space and so the kids would naturally take over when the parents became unable to complete the tasks.

And some of them did and some of them didn't. But all of them grew up and began new families. And these new children were told the same message about the importance of caring for the land and the house, and they were more confused than their parents had been a generation ago.

The children looked at the work of the adults in order to understand what was expected of them, but they simply could not make it out. Many of the grown-ups did little or nothing to help care for the area they inhabited. Most of the other parents contributed whenever it was convenient for them to do so, which was less often for some than it was for others.

Then there were a few adults who did as much as they could to keep the house nice, the garden growing and the yard neat. They would have loved to keep the house beautiful, the garden blossoming and the yard clean, but there was simply more to do than they could accomplish. These adults hoped their example would stick with this new generation as they grew up and took over the maintenance of the area.

> "As anyone who has ever lived with anyone knows, things can't go smoothly forever – it's practically against human nature"

Unfortunately, their example stuck in a different way than had been intended. This generation attained adulthood with the perception that someone would look after the house and the garden and the yard and that it need not necessarily be them.

They spouted the message to their children, but somehow it had altered: "There must always be some people who look after this place and it would be kind of you to help them out, when you can." And so some people did what little they could when they thought they could spare time, while many others did nothing and a very few did as much as possible.

The life cycle continued and, with each passing generation, there was more work to be done and proportionately fewer people to do it. Eventually, the best that could be done by these folks alone was to keep the house from falling apart, the garden watered and free of weeds, though little grew there on its own, and a path through the clutter in the yard.

These people were sometimes put down by the others for not being able to do more, but they truly couldn't without more help. If future generations were to continue the same way, the house was quite likely to collapse in ruin, the garden to become overrun with grass and weeds and so become part of the yard, which would transform into a sea of debris.

It is saddening to think that once that house was beautiful, that garden blossoming and that yard clean and free for play. If only those people would realize that if they each helped a bit each day, the whole place could eventually regain its former splendour.

Surely if we were one of those people, we would do more to prevent such atrocities to our habitat and more to help return the area to beauty.

We wouldn't have stood idly by, occasionally moving a piece of clutter, claiming to contribute while our environment decayed.

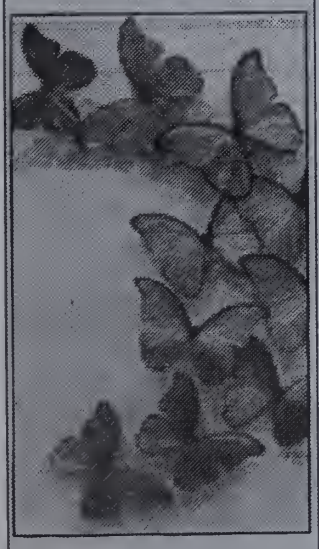
Would we?

POETRY CORNER

Unreciprocated Butterflies

BY HEATHER VISSER

The arrow's head twists
itself around in her blood
kills the butterflies
that floated in her chest
on currents of love like
south see winds.
Weightless bodies of
butterflies



lie at her feet;
she gathers them up in her red
hands
but there are too many
they fall back to earth.

She rebuilds;
stretches and moulds her dough
pulls it up from her heels
through the veins to her crown
like sap through the branches
of a tree.
It circles around the pointed
flint,
impotent to fill a lingering
loss.

PRESERVED CHILDHOOD

BY HEATHER VISSER

I remember
kitchen
counters
brown
speckled
tile
deep
white
cup-
boards.
Above
the
double
sink
spiders in the
window frames
outside.
Tea and white bread
in the morning
before sunrise.

We created memories
by hand,
fingers stained
with life-dark
metallic earth

sticky resin of
strawberries.

Brushed brown tissue
from treasures
wrapped
protectively in their
garden box.

Tucked
them away,
tied with
string,
hung in the
cellar.

Spiced
apples,
smelling
the hot
July days
trapped in
their skins,
boiled
them soft,
sweetened
them up.

Tucked
them away
preserved
childhood
in a jar.

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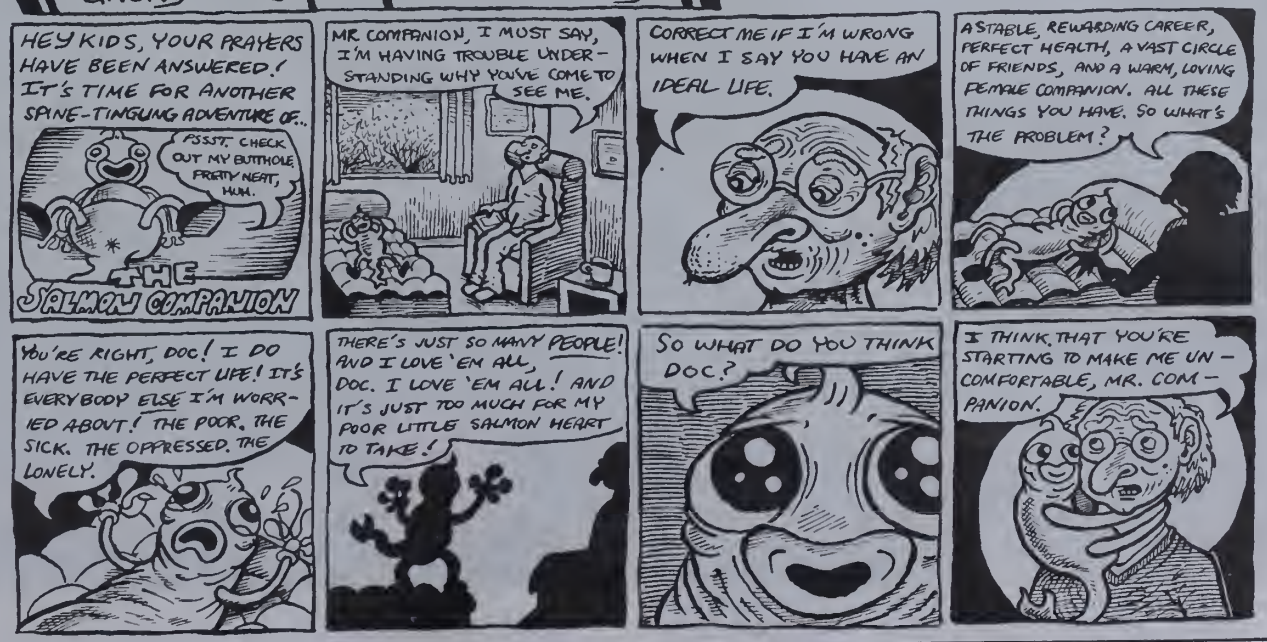
HEY KIDS, YOUR PRAYERS HAVE BEEN ANSWERED! IT'S TIME FOR ANOTHER SPINE-TINGLING ADVENTURE OF..
PSSST. CHECK OUT MY BUTTHOLE PRETTY NEAT, HUH.
THE SALMON COMPANION
MR. COMPANION, I MUST SAY, I'M HAVING TROUBLE UNDERSTANDING WHY YOU'VE COME TO SEE ME.
CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG WHEN I SAY YOU HAVE AN IDEAL LIFE.
A STABLE, REWARDING CAREER, PERFECT HEALTH, A VAST CIRCLE OF FRIENDS, AND A WARM, LOVING FEMALE COMPANION. ALL THESE THINGS YOU HAVE. SO WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?
YOU'RE RIGHT, DOC! I DO HAVE THE PERFECT LIFE! IT'S EVERYBODY ELSE I'M WORRIED ABOUT! THE POOR. THE SICK. THE OPPRESSED. THE LONELY.
THERE'S JUST SO MANY PEOPLE! AND I LOVE 'EM ALL, DOC. I LOVE 'EM ALL! AND IT'S JUST TOO MUCH FOR MY POOR LITTLE SALMON HEART TO TAKE!
SO WHAT DO YOU THINK DOC?
I THINK THAT YOU'RE STARTING TO MAKE ME UNCOMFORTABLE, MR. COMPANION.

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Fair Trade coffee gives better deal to poor farmers

By Johanna Kristolaitis

It's almost 10 a.m. and you're wishing you didn't have class this early. As you sip at your much-needed morning coffee, you thank your lucky stars that today's Tim Horton's line-up wasn't too long. It seems almost criminal that you get this morning perk-up from the percolator for only a dollar or so.

In fact, many would say it is criminal. When you look at how little coffee farmers are paid, compared to how much coffee giants make selling us our cup of caffeine, the discrepancy is huge. This is why Fair Trade coffee is beginning to catch on.

"The Fair Trade movement is a way to remove the parasites from the farmers' backs," said Damien Waddell, an organizer for Breakdown, a social awareness club at UTM. "Three or four levels of commodity buying and selling only lines the pockets of bureaucrats and middle-men, taking away value from the consumer and a great amount of profit from the farmer."

While there are major coffee brands worth more than one billion U.S. a year, there are an estimated 25 million coffee farmers and their families living in poverty. While companies selling coffee continue to make huge profits, farmers are often paid less for their coffee crops than they cost to grow.

Coffee consumers, who live in rich Northern countries, pay roughly $3.60 per pound for roast and ground coffee. Coffee farmers, living in poor countries in the Southern hemisphere, are paid 24 cents a pound. That means there is a 1500% mark-up as coffee crosses the equator, is roasted and packaged.

The coffee we buy is usually sold to companies by mid-level traders who buy it from the farmers at increasingly low prices. These traders, commonly called "coyotes" by Central American coffee farmers, use their monopoly position to force unfair selling prices on the farmers. The traders also serve as lenders to some of the farmers, demanding extremely high interest payments which send farming families spiraling further into debt.

Folks line up for coffee and other products. Tim Horton's does not currently offer Fair Trade coffee to its customers. *photo/ Melissa Donnelly*

Traders mark-up the price of the raw coffee beans when they sell them to production companies, as known as roasters. These companies roast the green coffee and sell it as ground or instant coffee at yet another mark-up. In the end, everyone down this production line makes a profit, except the coffee farmers, without whom the coffee industry couldn't exist.

"Without collective organization the farmers are pretty much doomed," said Waddell. "They need to take power into their own hands and not rely so heavily on international trade cartels."

There are three points commonly spouted as the major causes for this coffee crisis. Firstly, there is an oversupply of coffee on the market these days. There are many large farms with mechanized planting and harvesting, but this creates lower quality coffee and threatens the sustainability of these environments as fertile soil.

However, this coffee is cheaper to grow and harvest and can be done on a large scale, so it's pushing out the traditional, environmentally-sound, high-quality smaller farms. It is easy for companies to buy this cheap lower-quality coffee and simply use new intensive processing techniques to take the extra bitterness out of the beans.

The second major problem contributing to the crisis is the use of mid-level traders. Farmers don't have the means of exporting their crops directly, which forces the cycle of debt and low selling prices mentioned above.

Farmers and their families are forced to go without proper nutrition or health care, often having to pull their children out of school because it is impossible to afford these things solely on the money they receive for their crops.

A third contributing problem is that many coffee farmers only grow coffee. They and their families rely on the income from their coffee crops alone to sustain them. They have no other sources of income.

Unfortunately, there are several farmers switching from coffee to coca, the raw material for cocaine, because the growing conditions required for both are so similar. Although growing coca brings many dangers with it, such as dealing with warlords and the threat of violence, some farmers have decided this is easier to deal with than malnutrition and disease.

There is something being done about the crisis faced by these farmers. What's more, it's something you can be a part of. Coffee that has been certified as fairly traded is available in many stores, restaurants and coffee shops.

This coffee is bought directly from farming cooperatives, therefore bypassing the coyotes, helping farmers get a fair price for their coffee. Fair trade coffee ensures that farmers are paid enough to sustain themselves and their families.

There are several places in Toronto and area where fair trade coffee is available by the cup or in packages for home brewing. In addition, some major coffee chains, such as Starbucks, have recently committed to having fair trade coffee available at their stores.

This coffee campaign is part of Oxfam's larger Coffee Rescue Plan. This plan calls for major coffee companies to follow the lead of fair trade in paying farmers a sustainable living price. It also demands that the production of lower-quality coffee flooding the market be stopped and companies be regulated to buying coffee that meets International Coffee Organisation standards. Lastly, the plan encourages helping coffee farmers find other sources of income so that their reliance on the coffee market is lessened.

Fair trade coffee is also part of a larger campaign to have all worldwide trade exercise fair practice. Those that farm and produce goods for people all over the world should be able to live on their work, instead of making our lives comfortable while theirs are strained and difficult.

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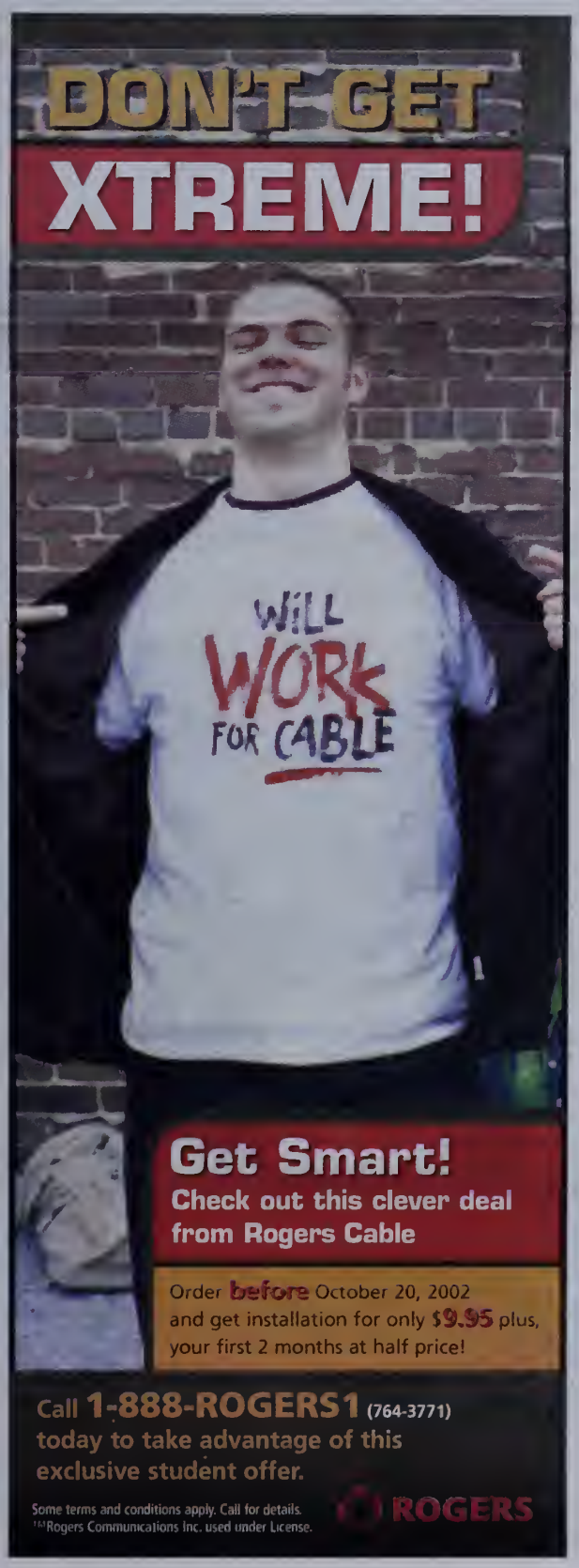
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Creative Short Stories

Of Lost Causes

By Fawad Sikandar Mahar

He took deep silent breaths. With pain-staking effort, he made his way to the edge of his room, then towards the washroom. He stretched out his hand and opened the medicine cabinet, revealing a flurry of medications filling the shelves. He fished for some time before coming out with a bottle of pain killers; he had used these regularly for the past several months.

His head throbbed as he gulped yet another capsule; it was his third this same day. With a single arm movement, he threw the now-empty bottle into the garbage can. Though it didn't seem possible, somehow the medication had just worsened his headache.

His head pounded unbearably; it felt like several dozen tons of heavy weight equipment had been put on it. His eyes darted about as he made his way back into the bedroom and he caught a glimpse of his stature in the dressing table mirror. A scrawny old-looking man with a thick mass of white hair stared back at him.

He smirked sarcastically as he looked at the person in the mirror. If anyone saw him in his current state, no one would believe that he was only 40 years old. They would be shocked to find, beneath the mask of pathetic pain and wrinkles that shouldn't have appeared for another ten years, there was a man who once had ambition, a goal in life and an intense flare to live life to its fullest. Even he would never have guessed that it would turn out this way.

His bank account was now as meager as the sick figure that glared back at him from the mirror. Working his way from the suburban areas of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, he had been lucky to complete high school and go on to post-secondary education. He had his father to thank for financing his Bachelor degree in Computer Science. Leaving his parents in Pakistan, he had set off to find greener pastures on the other side of the world - the United States of America was his destination.

He successfully acquired a job in Boston and went on to attain a Master degree. His grief was great when his father died of a heart attack when he was still in the process of completing his Masters. Although he was his parents' only child, he refused to sacrifice his education at any cost, even if it meant not attending the funeral of the man who had put him through college. He knew his father would want him to continue his schooling.

He had now found a girl he liked, even loved perhaps, a girl with whom he was willing to spend the rest of his life. His mother did not approve of the match, as his dream girl was Jewish. He decided to let his mother be, losing complete contact with all in Pakistan from the time he got married. So what if she were a Jew? His love knew no bounds for her.

He now had everything he wanted in Boston. His life and his future were in Boston now. He let go of his past. He was twenty two then.

Differences arose between him and his wife after six years. They had two children at this point. His wife wanted to work and was not prepared to take care of the kids all the time. She wanted him to cut down on his long shifts at work, which he could not possibly do.

She found someone else's shoulder to cry on, to get support from. She didn't need him anymore; he had become a stranger to his kids and an alien to his wife. She filed for divorce and was soon rewarded with thirty percent of his hard-earned assets, as well as a considerable monthly allowance.

He lost custody of both his kids on the pretext that he would never be a good father to them, as he would always be at work. He would not be allowed to meet them at his discretion, just occasional visits for a few hours every week.

Seven years down the line, the huge computer technology bubble finally took a fatal blow. The market for computer science was saturated, over-flowing with young minds and bodies. It had become hard for old timers to stay in this competitive field without retraining on an increasingly frequent basis. He tried to keep up.

The U.S. economy was down, and the computer skills market was in a graceful decline. Redundancy soon had to take first priority with his employers. He was sent a letter apprising him of his premature retirement.

In the country at large, change was rampant. George W. Bush was sworn in as President. September 11, 2001 brought terrorist attacks and increased racism in the country he now called home. Distrust and hatred towards ethnic people did not know its limitations.

It became twice as hard for him to find a job, and to live in peace with some security of life. He lived in careful seclusion after the terrorist attacks in the 'land of opportunity.' With his antiquated computer skills and his now unwelcome skin tone, he felt homeless for the first time in Boston. He felt lonely for the first time.

He saw his father's face sometimes when he dreamed; he saw the wrinkles on his face. He saw his father in every one of those lines carved now into his own face. He realized and understood the great effort and the immense pain which his father had taken to provide him with a decent education.

He dreamed of his mother, a woman who had lost a son in the green Western pastures. He saw a woman with her arms wide open, with an empty bosom, her heart throbbing with love for him, her chest full with the warmth of motherly love. He felt the hot tears running down the cheeks of his long-lost family for every day that passed without a word from his side.

He dreamed of his father dying, he dreamed of his lonely mother; he was haunted with these thoughts for so many years of his life.

He looked at himself in the mirror again; his face was wet with tears that had trickled down from his blood-shot eyes. He had no reason to live anymore. He had instructed his meager assets to be donated to charity. At that moment, he was his mother's lost son, his wife's lost husband and his children's lost father.

His headaches would no longer bother him; the excess dosage of morphine was slowly talking its toll on his tired mind. He closed his eyes and lay down on his bed. The last thing he thought of was God. He asked for forgiveness. He found peace.

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Your Sister's Breasts

By Gil Garratt

He'd somehow always been more perfectly ragged than I was. He wore every inch of don't-care with total never-dids, that wouldn't even go there, and so you can understand my gangly envy. I was awkwardly at everything, while he just seemed to stroll.

Already the smell of empty crab crates and cabbages rotted into the Szechuan streets when we pressed our way down to that neon concourse where somebody's older brother had told us cheap smokes were easy to come by. Marlboro cartons wrapped in fish market newspaper and "Boys you gots to go out de back," so we did. Out the back into the first real alley of the first fierce night of fierce years to come that would and will and always fiercely can if you're not careful, but we were just fourteen and barely even knew it.

An Innocent Series of Seven Snapshots of Ian:

1. Frayed turquoise acrylic knee-length sweater, folding at the elbow as he furiously pencils in the dragon's pronged tail, assuring me that actually his mother does cut his hair with a salad bowl on his head.

2. Roasted almonds moving from the cookie sheet into empty milk bags with the tops cut open as he explains the finer points of breeding guinea pigs.

3. A blender with pickles, peanut butter, chocolate chips, honey, a banana, mustard, and root beer spilling from its slightly smoking remains. Kitchen walls thickly oozing ochre.

4. A geography project of Australia resulting in a four foot square papier-mâché and molding paste model, complete with ground tea painted beige, yellows and whites, all desert, and these white erection rocks, can't remember if we made up that name.

5. Going to bed, him laughing all braces because the new shirt my mother bought me has stained my body blue, except for my neck, my face and my hands.

6. Fantasizing about his teenage sister, still fairly unclear as to the distance between navel and vagina.

7. a) Four odd socks bolting down wood stairs trying to run undetected past his parents' new motion sensing alarm system in order to confirm our ninja like stealth reflexes.

7. b) Frantically punch coding, trying to remember the password as the siren alarm fills his neighborhood.

> "There's this sort of portraiture in the centre of a boy that doesn't seem to erase somehow"

Now I ought to lay my intentions flatly out here and reveal the reason I share the photographs with you. See, there's this sort of portraiture in the centre of a boy that doesn't seem to erase somehow. Like the way, despite your friends assurances otherwise, your sister doesn't grow breasts. Nor your mother any older or wider or impatient. See, these photographs are the little sacreds of Ian that stay somehow in my boyhood, in my wagon-pulling frog-pocketed understanding of the world.

In the Marlboro fish alley, out later than we should be, than our parents know we are, as we're sleeping at each other's houses. Out here pretending to know how to smoke and watching the late-night creatures stagger from the streetcars.

Out here despite the relative innocence of these streetlights and despite the love our factory fathers have for us, keeping food on the table and the rent paid. Despite those few visionary teachers who passionately try to impart something. Despite the condemnation of the after-school-special friends. Despite all this, it's already building in us. The rancidest of curiousities.

The seven intangible photographs hold for me, in their unspoken reactive silvers, some kind of easy that will dissolve. And I remember the way that all the goodbyes after high school came so venerably and empty promised into the future. But Ian and I never did. See, we went so lopsidedly through it all as it was, and maybe I went darkly down but.

An Unfortunate Series of Seven Snapshots of Ian:

1. Ambition orangely smoldering out in the Niagara Falls ashtray in his Montreal apartment.

2. No front door on the same apartment.

3. Potential bound in black garbage bags. A brown stain on the sidewalk where he dragged them.

4. A magazine cover he got to do, in a plastic frame, in a banana box, in his parents' basement.

5. The hooker he got in a fight over while his friends were trying to score some juicy to smoke.

6. The tremble in his fingers as he lays out to me his whole new plan, over the same old beer.

7. a) I heard he moved to Mexico.

7. b) His parents sorting boxes in the basement.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

British rock fans waiting for album from the 'grass'

ONE ON ONE

BY ANDREA CIVICHINO

Taking a break from something that you enjoy doing the most doesn't mean that it's the right thing to do most of the time. For British rock band Supergrass, taking a break away from the music scene allowed them to rejuvenate and emotionally and musically prepare for a new album – an album that left their fans waiting for almost two years.

Supergrass realized that a break was in order after finishing the tour of their third selling platinum album. Without having a vacation in about eight years, Mick, Guz, Danny and Rob took a few months away from each other to recover from what some may consider being 'rock and roll burn-out.' After their time away from each other, another vacation was in order, but this time as a band. In a telephoneinterview,Bassist/Vocalist Mick Quinn explained the band decided to go to France to not only indulge in the finest French cuisine and drink wine, but to collaborate ideas in a relaxed environment.

With their acoustic guitars they began preparing for a new album. "It wasn't until we returned back home that we realized we wrote horrible songs," said Mick. It was back in the rehearsal rooms in London and Sussex to give structure to the music that they developed in France.

They invited Anthony Hoffer (known for his work with Beck and Air) into the studio.

This progression led to the emergence of their forth album *Life on Other Planets*, – which will be released on October 1. "Anthony has sort of a hip-hop sensitivity," Quinn said, "which is really odd for Supergrass. But as you listen to the album you'll realize that it is oddly comprised of a mosaic of themes. Some of the songs are about murderous witches and cultism while others are as innocent as their first release titled 'Grace.' Quinn explained that 'Grace' was written while at Chris Difford's (Squeeze) studio in Sussex. "Grace is Chris's daughter and after school she would come into the studio to hang around. We just went with the flow and ended up with a song named after her."

Mick Quinn talks about the progression of Supergrass' upcoming album.

Although Quinn said there really isn't a formula that they follow when decided what themes to include on an album, each song has an individuality of each of the band members. While preparing for their fourth album they often looked at higher powers for inspiration. "Rob received a telescope for Christmas from his brother, and at night we'd gaze at the solar system," Quinn said. Their album title is loosely connected with their experiences investigating other planets through the lens of the telescope.

Every band hopes for the success of an album. Quinn said that British Rock is a very difficult industry, especially since the music scene is dominated by peer pop. He is quite optimistic that fans will appreciate the uniqueness of this album.

The boys of Supergrass know the importance of taking some time away from the music scene to unwind.

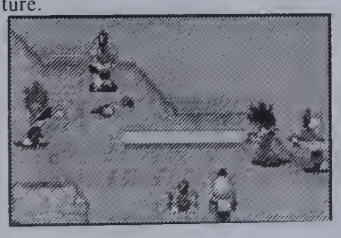
Goku transports you on virtual adventure

GAME CORNER

BY ERIC LAGANIS

Title: Dragonball Z: The Legacy of Goku
Publisher: Infogrames
System: Game Boy Advance

Based on the popular Japanese animated television series, *Dragonball Z: The Legacy of Goku* is an action playing game where you assume the role of Goku – a Super Saiyan Warrior of the Dragonball series. The Legacy of Goku follows the exploits of the television series from the beginning until the end of the Frieza Saga. Many of the characters, such as Piccolo, Bulma, and King Kai, make cameos in LOG where they give Goku helpful advice during his adventures. Many of the villains, such as Frieza, Raditz, and the Ginhu Force will try to stop Goku from continuing his travels. For hardcore gamers who think this game is nothing more than a silly waste of money, don't worry – LOG harbors many of the elements that are incorporated into the best action rpg's out there. Some of these elements include stat building, or levels of kai – where you increase the strength and power of your fireballs by gradually defeating enemies. The higher your level of kai, the easier it is to defeat enemies. For those who think LOG is nothing more than a pure action game, in actuality it has puzzles and tasks that Goku must complete before moving on with his adventure.



Graphics 8 / 10

The levels have been designed with detail and clarity that are reminiscent to how they are projected on television. They have been detailed exceptionally well and look exactly like their series counterparts.

Sound 9/ 10

The sound and music in LOG is amazing. The background music for each level bonds beautifully with the mood that each level is trying to portray. Also the sound of Goku's fireballs are very realistic.

Control 9/ 10

Goku moves up, down, side to side, punches, shoots fireballs, and flies. It doesn't get anymore simpler than that and Infogames keeps it that way by making the controls as gamer-friendly as possible.

Gameplay 10 / 10

What's more fun than zapping alien warriors who are trying to take over your planet? When you get tired of zapping aliens, why not zap innocent squirrels and snakes. It just adds to the excitement.

Overall 9/ 10

Dragonball Z: The Legacy of Goku feels and plays like an old school NES game but only with better sound and graphics. If you are a fan of the series or an old school gamer who is tired of the many crappy games that plague the gaming scene then by all means get LOG, you won't be disappointed.

Haven, Queens of the Stone Age and Sparta don't add up to much

CD Reviews

BY Marc Peverini

Haven- *Between the Senses*
Radiate/Virgin
www.virginrecords.com

RATING 2.5/5

British band Haven offers a reasonable debut with their 2002 album Between the Senses.

Together since 1998, the boys from England's south coast made their name playing the Manchester club circuit. The highlight of the album is lead singer Gary Briggs. Soft and unassuming, his vocals weave in and out of Haven's guitars. He refuses to let his voice dominate.

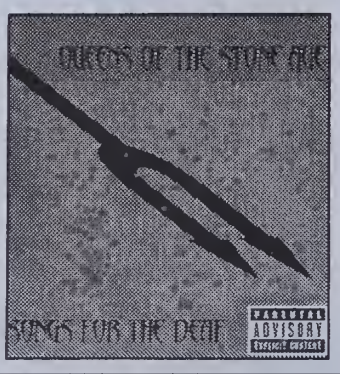
Standout tracks such as 'Say Something' and 'Let it Live' benefit from his brooding vocals. The album, though, lacks any sort of variety. Haven's songs are too similar.

Guitar parts aren't too loud or too distorted; they are never-ending, with little change in tempo or feeling. Songs become a bore and guitars become almost annoying by album's end.

Between the Senses definitely showcases Briggs' vocal talent and the band's potential. However, Haven needs to diversify, as listeners will tire of the band's seemingly endless wall of guitar and incurable melancholy.

Queens of the Stone Age – *Songs for the Deaf*
Interscope

RATING 3/5



There should be a saying that goes, "don't judge a band by the soundtrack on which they appear. Although included on the soundtrack to Vin Diesel's bore "xXx," **Queens of the Stone Age's** third release, *Songs for the Deaf*, is a solid album.

The band comprises of members from groups including Kyuss and **The Screaming Trees. Nirvana**-alumni Dave Grohl joins on drums and doesn't disappoint.

Despite being heavily guitar-reliant, the album opens extremely well with 'Millionaire.'

'No-One Knows' sounds straight out of the seventies; listeners will scramble for the liner notes wondering if it is a cover. 'First it Giveth' is another guitar-laden track. Strong drums, forceful guitars and Sabbath influences are rampant throughout.

Such momentum, however, proves unsustainable as the middle of the album drags. Instead of trusting their sound, the band falls back on screaming and sound effects to convey feeling.

Just when things look bleak, the album picks up again and exits nicely with the 60s organ-influenced 'Another Love Song.'

Non-fans will be surprised. The album may be dark, it may be heavy, but it's not bad.

CD Review

BY Marina Sigareva

Sparta - *WireTap Scars*
www.spartamusic.com

RATING 3.5/5

Although *Wiretap Scars* is the first full-length offering from El Paso, Texas' **Sparta**, the band is anything but inexperienced when it comes to making music.
The disc, recorded at Armory Studios in Vancouver, British Columbia, with producer Jerry Finn (**Blink 182**, **Green Day**, **Sum 41**), is the creation of three former members of At The Drive-in, a now defunct punk band formed in 1994, along with a new bassist.

With Jerry Finn as producer having **Blink 182**, **Green Day** and **Sum 41** as examples of his previous work, one would expect

Wiretap Scars to have a pop quality in the sound. That is not the case; if anything, *Wiretap Scars* is more comparable to **Jimmy Eat World**'s *Bleed American* than **Sum 41**'s *All Killer No Filler*.

Sparta earned a following by putting early versions of several songs off *Wiretap Scars* on the band's Spartamusic.com website in spring of 2001, and touring extensively.

They will be in Toronto on October 1, 2002 at the Phoenix Concert Hall with Cave-In and Small Brown Bike.

Highlights of the record include the lead track, 'Cut Your Ribbon,' a melodically rich song with hints of melancholy and turmoil, and 'Light Burns Clear,' lovely in its simplicity and bleakness.

Wiretap Scars takes getting used to when compared to pop punk and rock. Though not a cheerful record, it is at once unreal and ethereal - great music to brighten up a dreary and miserable day.

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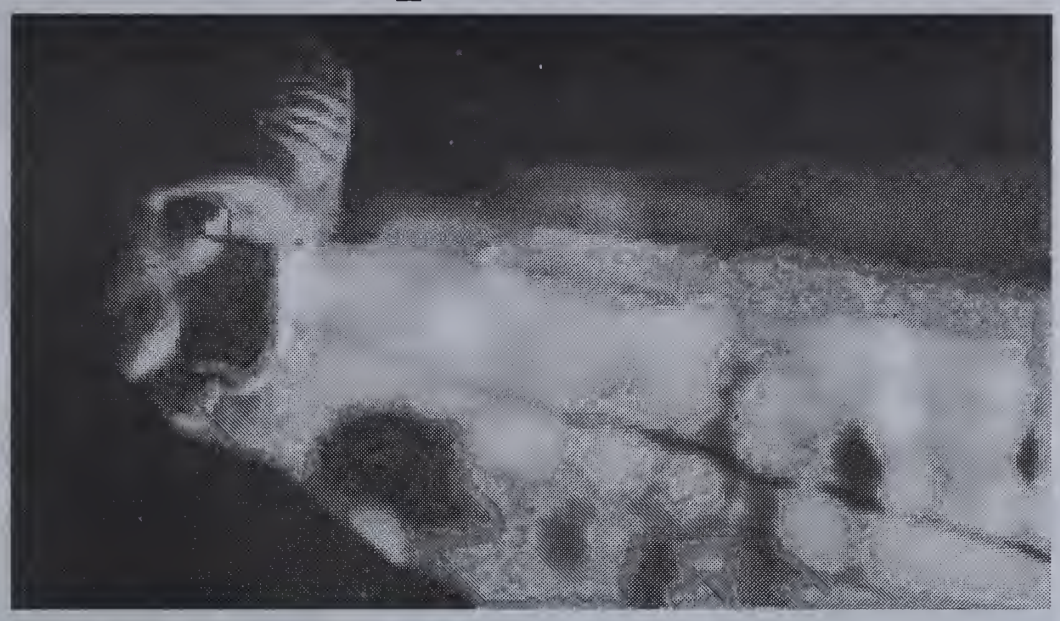
Poor audience response to bad-boy image

Toronto International Film Festival

BY ANDREA CIVICHINO

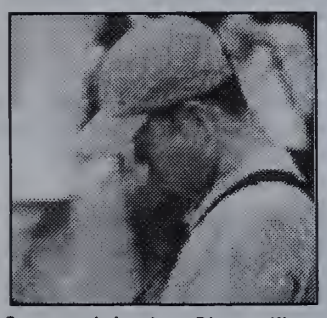


'Bad Guy' Han-ki is the main protagonist in Kim Ki-duk's movie about a sadistic pervert on the prowl to lure young women into prostitution.

If you've ever sat in a crowded theatre to watch a movie that you thought would be worth the amount you paid for admission, only to realize that you could of made a better movie with you dad's home camera? If so, you can relate to my experience watching *Bad Guy*, directed by Kim Ki-duk.

I was forced to watch *Bad Guy* at the Toronto International Film Festival because the movie that I originally wanted to watch had a line up reminiscent to the distance from the Student Centre all the way to the Kaneff Building.

Bad Guy is about Han-ki (Cho Jae-hyun) a ruthless guy; who the audience later learns is a dangerous pimp within the small Asian committee. His appearance is more threatening then his actions; something the audience witnesses during his fighting scenes with members of his group. The movie takes on a different spin when 21-year-old Sun-hwa(Suh Won) is introduced into the storyline. It presents the question, 'how far one would go into the world of prostitution.'



Sex was obviously on Director Kim-Ki-duk's mind.

Han-ki is one of those characters who lurks from scene to scene looking for trouble.

His scruffiness and awkwardness is what deters 21-year-old Sun-hwa(Suh Won)from ignoring him once he approached her while sitting on a park bench. After she slaps him and embarrasses him in front of a small audience, he develops a sick perverted fascination with Sun-hwa and begins to stalk her. Han-ki knows that Sun-hwa will eventually pay for the public spectacle she created and secretly concocts a scheme that will frame Sun-hwa and permanently take her innocence and freedom away.

Sun-hwa desperately has to come up with 20 million won in order to escape from the danger she created for herself. Once her father turns her away, Sun-hwa has no other choice but to turn to the world of prostitution.

While Sun-hwa is performing these indecent and degrading acts Han-ki watches with approval from a two-way mirror in Kim's room. Whether he feels her or not is questionable. When she sleeps at night he enters into her room and caresses her face and when she's having sex with her customers he looks at Sun-hwa like a proud father looking at his newborn baby.

This film presents more weaknesses than a solid story line with admirable characters, acting and dynamism. Some of the scenes are too short and insignificant. One scene lasted a mere ten seconds to show Han-ki ramming his fist into a sheet of glass.

This was probably his toughest scene because his actual fighting scenes were horribly unrealistic.

As a woman who was quite disturbed by the scenes in the whorehouse, I found Sun-hwa's vulnerability to be extremely annoying. Perhaps it's my ignorance speaking, but everyone has a choice when put in a dangerous situation to either avoid it completely or peruse it. The audience feels sorry for Sun-hwa at first, especially when she loses her virginity to a complete stranger who was probably old enough to be her father.

However, there were many opportunities to leave. The most shocking aspect of the film arises when Sun-hwa decides that Han-ki is the only one she wants to be with. Together, they leave the whorehouse and Han-gi converts a pick-up truck into a traveling 'love shack' – complete with a mattress and a curtain for privacy. The two can journey from town to town with their new money making project. This movie was not one of my favouries at the festival. There's nothing appealing about the degradation of women.

Reel Notes: Bad Guy; South Korea; 2001, 100 minutes; Directed by Kim Ki-duk.

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Lenny pleases the Toronto fans 'again'

CONCERT REVIEW

By Ann Lewandowski

Last Monday evening, singer Lenny Kravitz revisited Toronto's Molson Amphitheatre to entertain the fans he missed on July 31. Lenny rescheduled the date of his first concert after coming down with a cold; however, this cancellation did not appear to deter his fans from coming out to his later show. I have never seen the place so packed!

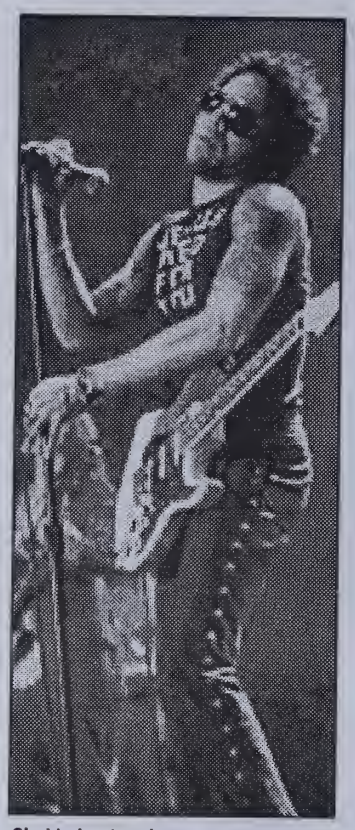
I was lucky to find a nice cozy spot on the grass toward the back, where I had an incredible view of the

Crowd – looking down I saw a sea of heads. On the lawn, people sat side by side, trying to utilize every inch of grass; as for seats, each one was filled. Pink opened the show to warm up the crowd with little success. The crowd's lack of response to her efforts made it apparent whom they really wanted to see.

Lenny made his entrance around 9 pm, opening with a track called, 'Bank Robberman,' off his latest self-titled CD. The song had lots of sound and energy and so I guess an appropriate choice, yet I must admit it is my least favourite song on that entire album. The crowd immediately rose to their feet when Lenny began and they did not sit down again until the concert ended. The next several songs that followed were also off his new CD, which the crowd seemed somewhat unfamiliar with as they stood relatively still watching the stage intently. Lenny ended the selection of his latest songs with a beautiful rendition of 'Stillness of Heart,' wherein he serenaded girls in the front row and then jumped into the crowd to greet his fans. People definitely started moving then!

Then the "oldies" set in: 'Again,' 'Believe,' 'Let Love Rule,' 'American Woman' among others. People on the grass and seats alike were singing along, dancing, and waving hands and lighters. Lenny made little conversation with his audience, but what he did say the people seemed to enjoy. After apologizing for his previous absence, he declared that the theatre was our "living room" and at a point, invited everyone on the grass to ignore security and dance down by the stage. I did not see herds of bodies running, however I suspect it was not due to a lack of enthusiasm, but simply out of fear of being squashed.

The night ended on an upbeat note with the song "Fly Away", where Lenny exited the stage slowly, not forgetting to wish his fans farewell. I believe that most would say that Lenny was worth the wait, as the only complaint I've heard so far, was that he didn't take his shirt off!



Clad in leather, Lenny struts his stuff on stage.

Lenny disappointed his female fans by leaving his shirt on during the entire concert.

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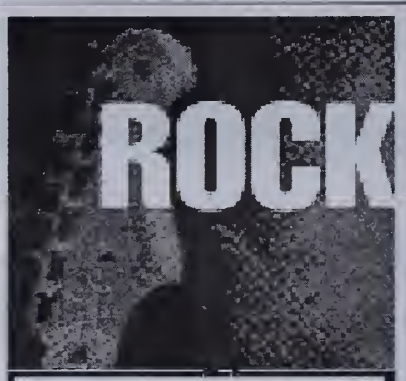

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SPORTS

UTM Soccer dominates in season openers

Women's soccer win debut match

BY CHANDRA GILBERT & DARRYL SEQUEIRA

After a fairly successful season last year, the women's soccer team looked forward to opening the new season with a win. The team had a bitter taste in their mouth after losing to Scarborough in the semi-finals last season. The team is confident on having another winning season yet their ultimate goal is to hoist the champsionship trophy. With enough practice time under their belt, the team has begun to gel.

With seven returning players from last season, many girls look forward to avenging their loss. But there were some doubts after losing some skilled players. Yet they were fortunate to add midfielder Melissa Caputo to their roster after she took a year off from the rigours of the practice and preparation of the Varsity soccer team. "Defense will be our achilles because we've lost some players, but with Caputo coming in from Varsity, hopefully any gaps will be filled" said veteran forward Stephanie Kishimoto. The team will be relying on its new players to step up and answer the challenge of helping UTM win the trophy this year.

UTM began their journey by traveling downtown on September 21 to competing against the team from Medicine. UTM became frustrated in the first 15 minutes of the game after being unable to capitalize on several opportunities to score. A header by Diane Singroy went over the net after a beautiful corner kick by Shannon Lisboa. Christine Gonyou had two chances in front of the net; however the Medicine goalie made some good saves.

> "Defence will be our achilles because we've lost some players..." – Stephanie Kishimoto

The score opened with a cross kick from Shannon Lisboa to Andrea Chan, who popped it in passed the goalie. Lisboa and Chan worked well together as passes from Lisboa led to two more goals from Chan. Near the end of the half, Lisboa was taken down in the box and a subsequent penalty shot was awarded. The shot missed just wide of the left corner of the net. UTM finished the first half leading 3-0.

The second half saw the team start to gel as players got familiar with each other. Chan scored a fourth early in the second with a pass from Seema Misra. Other scoring chances ensued as Marlene Schmidt lofted a floater over the goalie to make it 5-0. UTM seemed confident at this point in the game and Medicine struggled on defense. A hand ball in the box caused another penalty shot to be given out. Shannon Lisboa with her second chance of the game did not miss this opportunity as she hit the back of the net with a blistering strike.

Although UTM controlled the ball for most of the game, the defense had some action in the back field. The defense worked together to control the ball and get it out of the zone. After scoring her fourth goal Andrea Chan continued her contributions on defense. Chan lofted a pass to an open Michelle Elliot who kicked it in for her first of the game. The game ended with a penalty kick given to Seema Misra who knocked the ball in to make the final 8-0 for UTM.

The Lady Eagles look forward to their next game at home this Sunday at 12:00p.m. on the green grass of the North Field. Supporters are encouraged to come out and cheer on the team.

Men's soccer team rolls past University College

BY GERGIN NAOUMOV

The men's interfaculty outdoor soccer team began its season with a convincing 6-2 win over University College. The game was actually not as close as the final score would indicate. Led by the hat-trick of first year player Francisco Coscarelli, UTM completely dominated play, but played a restrained second half after jumping to a 4-0 halftime lead.

UTM's men's soccer team hope to intimidate opponents with their 'rugged' physiques. *photo/Melissa Donnelly*

First year student Adrian Makuch opened the scoring for UTM after receiving a pass inside the box from fellow rookie Zico Barnett. Shortly after that, one of UTM's returning stars made the score 2-0 with a fluke volley from outside the box. Not to be outdone, defenseman Vik Perovic slotted the third goal for UTM with a tap-in off a cross from Rob Mandekic.

If this trend of defensemen scoring continues, some are worried that even Bruno Pellegrino may eventually score. This still remains unlikely, as coach Freitas has defined Pellegrino's role as simply occupying his allotted 0.18 m^3 of space.

The aforementioned Coscarelli scored UTM's next three goals, including a left-footed strike off the crossbar. Martin Warych also had several good chances, but failed to convert after seeming to be distracted by a female fan in the stands.

Other highlights included Mandekic formally joining the "Whoa Club" with several ankle-breaking moves. Player-coach Steve Freitas did likewise, but could not finish several good runs. He promptly took himself out of the game after failing to do so.

However, the highlight of the game was the referee continually taunting UTM player Belal Skeik for his lack of accuracy on his shots. After Skeik sailed several shots into the adjacent parking lots and forest, the referee jokingly remarked that the shots were "disgusting".

The team will play host to the scrubs from Scarborough on September 29 at 1:30 p.m. on the North Field.

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Women's Ice Hockey hope to skate to championship

BY JAN-MICHAEL MAW

The Lady Eagles are about to begin another exciting and heart-pumping season. The team looks strong and ready to challenge for the league title once again. With many veterans returning and stellar rookies eager to earn a spot on the roster, UTM will be a team with a healthy mix of experience and youthful vigor.

Last season, the women's team ended the year as league semi-finalists and finished with an impressive record of eleven wins and three losses. A hungry and determined offense and a strong and smothering defense combined to easily control the opposition's forwards and to slap quite a few pucks past the other team's goaltender. It was not unusual to see the UTM women with their hands in the air often during the game celebrating their multiple scoring games.

With a new season comes change. The women's team will have a new coach this year. Jan Maw will be at the helm this season. This is Maw's first coaching stint and he hopes to add his hockey experience to an already impressive unit.

Anyone that is interested in trying out for the women's interfaculty ice hockey team is welcome. The first try-out was held this past Sunday, but another session is scheduled for Sunday September 29th, 10:30p.m. at the Erin Mills Twin Arena. There will be a pickup for all interested players, who need a ride, in front of the South Building at 9:45pm. Please see Louise Vanderwees in the athletics office before this Friday, to confirm a spot in the van.

Men's Vball smash into another season

ROB EIDUKAITIS

In the past the UTM Men's division one volleyball team has seen their goal of winning the league championship fall just out of reach. Despite the hard work, dedication and several trips to the finals by the team they have been unable to bring home the championship trophy. This season may be the men's chance to make their mark on the interfaculty league. With try-outs wrapping up last week the team looks to be the strongest team in recent memory. A total of 10 players were selected, five returning and five new recruits. The team appears to have the perfect balance between experience and skill. Returning players: Jeremy Jackson, Juan Molina, Haakon "Norway" Knoff, Jon Chew, and Richardo Marroqwin offer the experience and skill required to win an interfaculty championship.

Newcomers Colin Doyle, Chris Ogonela, John Luna, Cyrus Zahiri, and Marc Allard breathe new blood and talent into a program which was recently short on bodies.

Coaches Rob Eidukaitis and Paul Stanczak look forward to working with the team in hopes of finally winning the championship. Come show your support to the men on Tuesday nights as they attempt to claim their rightful place among the best volleyball players at U of T.

photo/Chandra Gilbert

UTM Co-ed Softball team shows heart in tournament

BY JON LEE

During the first week of school on Sunday September 15th, the UTM Co-Ed softball squad headed to the downtown campus to play in the first interfaculty tournament of the year. The squad was forced to default its first game due to confusion on the part of the conveners not knowing the rules and instructions.

In the second game, UTM showed their might by crushing Victoria 27-10. The last game saw UTM fight on though but lost 10-3 to the Leaky Dories. This was still a great effort despite some harsh injuries to the female players, who took a relay throw off the head and a foul ball off the leg.

Gina Rajack and Lindsey Sones supplied great hitting and fielding. Jon Brown was the UTM MVP with 6 homeruns in total. Vince Cheng cashed in with 3 homeruns, while Jon Lee went 7-9 with 2 runs scored. Thanks to all who played.

The UTM co-ed softball intramural league will be starting soon in late September. The two-time defending champions from Athletics will be hard pressed to defend their championship.

Football massacre at St. George

BY JON BROWN

The UTM Men's Touch Football Team played their first game on September 19th downtown. The Eagles played the defending regular season champions, University College. The Eagles trounced them 34-0.

Great games were had by both UTM quarterbacks, Jon Brown (19-22, 3TD) and Andrew Rabba (6-9, 2TD). Scoring 34 points in one hour of play is good but it also speaks of the team's solid defense, led by Rabba's three picks as well as Shawn Lennie's interception. The entire unit played well as a team and dominated the UC offense. Any threats by UC were thwarted when an interception on the UTM one yard line by Andrew Rabba set up a 99 yard five play touchdown drive to end the first half. UTM dominated on both sides of the ball.

The next challenge for the Erindale Eagles will be on September 21st at 11:00a.m. at UTM.